

The Crosby Arboretum  
Mississippi State University



## December Colors At the Crosby Arboretum!

### In and Around the Savannas

Not much is blooming in the Savannas this time of year, but if you look closely you will find a myriad of wildflowers and grasses bearing seeds.

### In and Around the Pond

Several trees are well into displaying their colorful foliage!

Common Name	Species	Structure of Interest
Winged Sumac	<i>Rhus copallina</i>	Vibrant orange/red foliage.
Blackgum	<i>Nyssa sylvatica</i> var. <i>sylvatica</i>	Most of the leaves are gone, but a few red leaves are still holding.
Sweetgum	<i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i>	Foliage of yellow and orange.
Cypress	<i>Taxodium</i> spp.	Foliage turning deep orange; branchlets beginning to drop.
Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i> var. <i>rubrum</i>	Foliage turning purple to red.
Drummond's Red Maple	<i>Acer rubrum</i> var. <i>drummondii</i>	Foliage turning yellow, orange and red.
White Oak	<i>Quercus alba</i>	Foliage turning deep orange.
Poison Ivy	<i>Toxicodendron radicans</i>	Foliage turning yellow to deep orange to red.
Gallberry	<i>Ilex glabra</i>	Shrub producing small black drupes.
Yaupon Holly	<i>Ilex vomitoria</i>	Shrub bearing bright red drupes.
American Holly	<i>Ilex opaca</i>	Tree bearing bright red drupes.

